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### **Wine Fair Brings *Taste of America* to Nigeria**

**Lagos**—On Wednesday, September 21, 2016, United States Consul General Francis John Bray and the United States Regional Agricultural Counselor for West Africa David Wolf hosted agribusiness leaders to a large wine tasting event.

With the theme *A Taste of America*, the event provided agribusiness leaders and other friends of America a unique opportunity to experience a wide selection of the finest United States wine brands available in Nigeria.

At the event, Consul General Francis John Bray introduced the new United States Regional Agricultural Counselor for West Africa David Wolf to Nigerian agribusiness leaders and stakeholders.

In his welcoming remarks, Mr. Wolf said, “The Foreign Agricultural Service of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) seeks to address food security challenges in countries they operate in. It mostly supports these challenges by building food and market systems that expand trade and economic development.

“The USDA has trained more than 230 Nigerians in the United States through its Faculty Exchange, Cochran, and Borlaug Fellowship programs in subjects such as food safety, aquaculture, pest management and food processing.”

The USDA’s goal, he added, is to help Nigeria’s agricultural productivity and food distribution, and to bring more Nigerian products up to acceptable standard for the international market.

The program offered members of the U.S.-Nigeria agribusiness community an opportunity to build professional networks, as well as discover new products, ideas, and innovations in the agriculture industry.

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